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issue of new matter, and request entry of these amendments  
and claims.

#### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the following Reference Items 1-207 which are listed again on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (**Exhibit C**). Applicants request that the Examiner review the references and make them of record in the subject application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted before the issuance of a first Office Action on the merits in connection with the subject application. Accordingly, no fee is required and this Information Disclosure Statement shall be considered pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3).

Applicants point out that several of the listed references are counterparts of each other and are cumulative. Therefore, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(c), a counterpart of a reference is identified after the cite to the reference.

The subject application is a continuation of and claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of U. S. Serial No. 09/816,989, filed March 23, 2001. The below listed references 1-23, 25-27, 30-161, 163-201, 203-208 and 210-212 were submitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("the Office") in connection with U.S. Serial No. 09/816,989 in either the Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 1, 2002 or the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statements filed on

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August 21, 2002, October 18, 2002, and June 25, 2003. The below listed references 162, 202 and 209 were cited by the Examiner on PTO Form 892 issued on March 25, 2003 in connection with U.S. Serial No. 09/816,989.

Accordingly, under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d) copies of references 1-23, 25-27, and 30-209 are not required to be provided to the United States Patent and Trademark Office because they were previously submitted to or cited by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in an application relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120.

Copies of the below listed references 24, 28 and 29 are enclosed herewith as **Exhibits 1-3**.

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